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## Paragraphs

Dr. Mullins is now in Texas to deliver a series of lectures at Simmons college.

Dr. H. M. Wharton is assisting Dr. Steele in a meeting with the Pendleton street church, Greenville, S. C.

Rev. Curtis Lee Laws, D. D., in spite of the earnest request of the First church, Baltimore, feels impelled to accept the call to the pastorate of the Greene Avenue Baptist church, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dr. John R. Sampey recently delivered a course of lectures at Hattiesburg, Miss. Dr. Sampey is one of the few scholars who know how to make their lectures both scholarly and interesting.

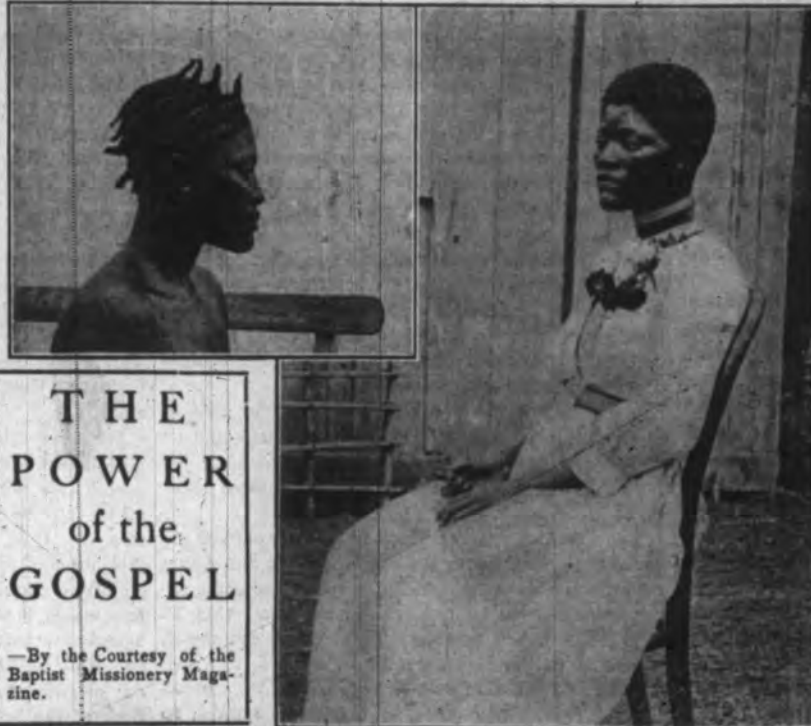
Dr. W. P. Harvey, formerly the business manager of the Western Recorder, is spending the winter at St. Petersburg, Fla. How we could enjoy resting with him if we only had the time and the cash.

We regret to learn that Bro. F. S. Farrington, who is at the seminary, is having trouble with his eyes, due to an abscess formed in the bone just below the eye. It is hoped that he will be able to stand his examinations for the first half session, and continue the course for the degree.

Fleetwood Ball, in "Among the Brethren," in the Baptist and Reflector, which, by the way, is one of the most interesting departments in this very readable paper, says: "Rev. R. M. Hunter has a sensible article in the Alabama Baptist urging Christians to abandon the custom of wearing mourning."

Rev. Caleb A. Ridley, who succeeds Dr. J. L. White as pastor of the First Baptist church, Beaumont, Tex., has been upon the field one month and is getting fine hold of the work. This is one of the wealthiest churches in Texas, and pays the largest salary to its pastor. It has over 800 members and a house of worship which cost \$120,000. The church is doing institutional work.

Dr. W. W. Landrum has passed his eleventh milestone as pastor of the First church, Atlanta. During his ministry his church has made remarkable advances. Several colonies have been sent out from its membership, which have become self-sustaining churches. An elegant new house of worship has been erected on one of the most desirable sites in the city. As a token of appreciation the church has increased his salary from \$4,300 to \$4,800.—Christian Index.



## THE POWER of the GOSPEL

—By the Courtesy of the Baptist Missionary Magazine.

**J**ACOB RILS, a man of far-reaching vision, has said: "Every once in a while I hear some one growl against foreign missions, because the money and strength put into them are needed at home. I know better now, and I will tell you how I found it out. I became interested in a strong religious awakening in my own city of Copenhagen, and I set about investigating it. It was then that I learned what others had learned before me, and what was the fact there—that for every dollar you give away to convert the heathen abroad, GOD GIVES YOU TEN DOLLARS' WORTH OF PURPOSE TO DEAL WITH YOUR BRETHREN AT HOME."

## Shall We Beat the Retreat?

Bro. Crumpton Greatly Interested in the Answer

All remember Napoleon's drummer boy, who said he couldn't beat a retreat—he hadn't learned how.

From the way some of our preachers write, I fear the retreat is being sounded in many pulpits. If the leaders are willing to retreat, will the laymen rally and save the day?

Only three months remain of the Southern Baptist convention year. February for state missions, March and April for home and foreign missions jointly.

Dr. Willingham in China, at one place, cheered the hearts of the missionaries by saying: "The spirit of missions is rapidly growing in the home land." Is it growing in Alabama?

Only a few days after this announcement was made our great secretary read a telegram to a company of missionaries announcing the financial panic. Immediately every missionary voted a voluntary decrease of one-sixth their salaries. Brethren, I ask again: Are we going to beat a re-



NAPOLION THE GREAT.

## Paragraphs

Rev. R. H. Pitt, D. D., editor of the Religious Herald, goes to Tampa to preach for a month, as Dr. Duke, the pastor, has been granted leave of absence to visit the Holy Land. We learned to love and admire Bro. Duke while at the seminary and rejoiced to know that he will have an opportunity to visit the east.

It cost the Presbyterian church last year \$80,000 to maintain the work of its evangelistic committee. Thirty-three persons gave \$65,000, and most of the balance came from collections at evangelistic meetings.—Baptist Commonwealth.

Rev. L. R. Scarborough, Abilene, Tex., has been selected as one of the mid-winter lecturers in the seminary at Louisville, Ky.

I preached for Dr. W. A. Hobson here last night to a large congregational work in this growing and beautiful city. I will write of my work soon.—T. F. Hendon, Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 27, 1908.

Recently I was in the church and Sunday school at East Lake, Ala., Rev. J. M. Shelburne, pastor. I have never seen a better organized school. Everything seemed just right. Pastor Shelburne said he is glad they have put off building since they are beginning to find out what they need and what they can hope to do. They have two teachers' meetings. I was made enthusiastic over the outlook.—B. H. DeMent, in Argus.

The Western Recorder says: "We utterly refused to be reconciled to Pastor Preston Blake's leaving the great First church, of Lexington, and going to Birmingham. There is no pastor whose leaving Kentucky we would regret more. His church is devoted to him; he has done a noble work. We decline to forgive Birmingham for coveting the best until he comes back. But we hope it is not settled that he will go, although he has resigned."

While sympathizing with the Baptists of Kentucky, we are glad to say that Brother Blake is coming to Alabama. In a recent letter to us he says: "I have accepted the call to Southside and will begin my work there March 1st. I believe there is a great opportunity there and I pray that the Lord may give me wisdom and strength to use it."



CONGRESSIONAL LEGISLATION IN REGARD TO THE ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

Letter from Congressman Clayton.

In reply to a letter asking Congressman Clayton to support some measure "to protect our prohibition territory from the imposition that is now being perpetrated upon it under the interstate commerce law," he has written the following letter giving a full account of the history of congressional legislation on the subject. Mr. Clayton's letter:

I am very glad to know that the efforts I have heretofore made in this matter have the support of your worthy organization. I may here summarize what congress has done and attempted to do on the subject of traffic in intoxicating liquors.

1. Several years ago congress prohibited the sale of liquor in the capitol building at Washington and all other government buildings and reservations of the United States. Every congressman from Alabama voted for this.

2. Several years ago congress abolished the "army canteen," and has refused since to restore it. I voted for its abolishment, and have always voted against the restoration.

3. Until the last session of congress the law and the rules of the internal revenue department would not permit the collectors of internal revenue to make the names of those who had paid the special tax required of liquor dealers. This special tax is often miscalled a license. The federal government does not undertake to license the business of a liquor dealer, but requires a special tax of every liquor dealer. At the last session of congress the law was amended so that each collector of internal revenue is required to place and keep conspicuously in his office, for public inspection, an alphabetical list of all persons who have paid special taxes within his district, and shall state thereon the time, place, and business for which such special taxes have been paid, and upon application of any prosecuting officer of any state, county or municipality he shall furnish a certified copy thereof, etc.

I appeared before the ways and means committee of the house of representatives that had jurisdiction of several bills seeking to prevent the issuance of such special tax, miscalled license, in prohibition districts. That committee took the position that if the tax was not required in one district or community, say in a prohibition district or community, there would be no violation of any federal law by any one who might sell intoxicating liquors in such district or community, for the plain reason that there would be no law requiring the payment of the special tax. Again, some members of the committee were of the opinion that to exempt any particular district or districts, or particular state or states, from the operation of the general law requiring the payment of the internal revenue tax would be in violation of the constitution of the United States, which requires that "all duties, imposts and excises shall be uniform throughout the United States."

I believe that with the publicity required and made available of the names of all the liquor dealers who have paid the special internal revenue tax to the federal government, together with the strong and healthy public sentiment which obtains in our state in behalf of laws that make for public health, morals, and good order, will prevent the nefarious business of the illicit dealer, and will render it impossible for the "blind tiger" to flourish.

4. As to the support of "some measure that will protect our prohibition territory from the imposition that is now being perpetuated upon it in the name of interstate commerce," you will readily understand that whatever legislation congress may enact in this regard will be founded upon the commerce clause of the constitution, which confers upon congress the exclusive power to "regulate commerce with foreign nations, and among the several states, and with the Indian tribes."

Prior to 1890 many of the States had passed laws, some of them prohibiting the sale of intoxicating

liquors and others regulating or controlling the sale of such liquors within their respective boundaries. It was notable that some years ago Kansas and Iowa attempted to prevent the carrying on of the alcoholic liquor business in these states by parties from the outside.

The Iowa law on this subject was reviewed by the supreme court of the United States and was held to be unconstitutional because it was "essentially a regulation of commerce among the states, and not sanctioned by the authority, express or implied, of congress." It was held in another case by the same court as a logical sequence of the decision in the first case that the right to sell and import intoxicating liquors from one state into another state in the original package could not be interfered with by any state law in the absence of federal legislation removing the restriction imposed by the commerce clause of the constitution of the United States, which confers upon congress the exclusive power to regulate commerce among the states. This denied to the states the power to control or prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors transported from one state into another while they remained in the original package and had not become "mingled with the common mass of property within the state."

In the last case which I have referred to, that of *Lelsy v. Hardin* (135 U. S. 100), it was indicated by expressions like the following that the remedy for this situation could be found in congressional legislation.

"Yet a subject-matter which has been confided exclusively to congress by the constitution is not within the jurisdiction of the police powers of the state unless placed there by congressional action" (135 U. S., p. 108); "hence, inasmuch as interstate commerce, consisting in the transportation, purchase, sale and exchange of commodities, is national in its character, and must be governed by a uniform system, so long as congress does not pass any law to regulate it, or allow the states so to do \* \* \* (ibid., p. 109); "\* \* \* can a state, in the absence of legislation on the part of congress, prohibit either importation from abroad or from a sister state, or when imported, prohibit their sale by the importer?" (ibid., p. 110); "\* \* \* essentially a regulation of commerce among the states, and not sanctioned by the authority, express or implied, of congress" (ibid., p. 111). "\* \* \* The states can not exercise that power (to regulate interstate commerce) without the assent of congress \* \* \* (ibid., p. 119); "the responsibility is upon congress, so far as the regulation of interstate commerce is concerned, to remove the restriction upon the state in dealing with imported articles of trade within its limits, which have not been mingled with the common mass of property therein, if, in its judgment, the end to be secured justifies and requires such action" (ibid., p. 123); "\* \* \* In the absence of congressional permission to do so, the state had no power to interfere by seizure or any other action in prohibition of the sale by the foreign or non-resident importer" (ibid., pp. 124-125). The court expressly held in this case that interstate transportation did not end, and the commerce clause applied until the liquor was "mingled in the common mass of property in the state," saying, "Under our decision in *Bowman v. Chicago Railway Company*, supra, they had the right to import this beer into the state, and in the view which we have expressed they had the right to sell it, by which act alone it would become mingled with the common mass of property within the state" (ibid., p. 124).

Accordingly, to enable the states to enforce their own liquor or anti-liquor laws, congress passed what is commonly called the Wilson law, approved August 8, 1890, which sought to give the state jurisdiction over all liquors transported into any state or territory and remaining therein for use, consumption, sale or storage therein, and to subject them upon arrival in such state or territory to the operation and effect of the laws of such state or territory enacted in the exercise of its police power, to the same extent and in the same manner as though such liquors had been produced in such state or territory, and this

law provided that such liquors shipped into the state or territory should not be exempt from the laws of the state or territory by reason of being introduced therein in the original package or otherwise. This law was upheld by the supreme court of the United States (140 U. S. 545). Afterwards the same court held (170 U. S. 415) that under the provisions of this Wilson law liquors transported from one state into another remained under the jurisdiction of the interstate commerce laws until they were delivered to the consignee, and that the state law was inoperative to reach them until they were delivered to the person to whom they were consigned.

The effect of this decision was to practically nullify the act of 1890. Under the law, as thus construed, liquor dealers sent out their soliciting agents and established agencies in other states, who canvassed the country and took orders for intoxicating liquors to be shipped in by the principal and consigned to the subscriber—sometimes the liquors were sent to the subscribers direct and in other cases in the care of the collecting agent. By this means the business of dealing in liquors by foreign dealers was kept up in many of the states with impunity, and the states were powerless to prohibit or regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors by persons from the outside of the state.

To meet this situation the Hepburn-Dolliver bill was introduced in the fifty-seventh congress. I reported this measure favorably from the house committee on the judiciary on January 26, 1903 (H. R. Rep. No. 3377, 57 Cong., 2d Sess.). The purpose of this bill was to subject intoxicating liquors imported from one state into another to the laws of the state into which they were imported on arrival within the boundaries before and after delivery. This bill was called up in the house of representatives on the 27th day of January, 1903, and the explanation of it on the floor of the house was accorded to me by the chairman of the committee on the judiciary. (Cong. Rec. Vol. 36, Pt. 2, 57 Cong., 2d Sess.). After a short discussion, which I opened with a brief speech, this bill was passed by the house of representatives with practical unanimity.

It went to the senate and there it never received any consideration. This measure had the entire support of all the representatives from Alabama, who, at that time, were Messrs. Taylor, Wiley, Clayton, Bowie, Thompson, Bankhead, Burnett, Richardson, and Underwood.

In the fifty-eighth congress the Hepburn-Dolliver bill was again favorably reported by me to the house from the judiciary committee. Under the hard or tyrannical rules of the house I was unable to get it up for consideration, as it was on the calendar and could not be reached, was not privileged, and the recognition of the speaker to call it up for consideration by unanimous consent could not be had.

At the long session of the last congress (the 59th congress), I, together with the other friends of such legislation, endeavored to get a favorable report on this bill and failed. I am not allowed, under the rules, to give the proceedings of the committee. At the short session of the last congress, substantially the same bill was reported under the name of what is now called the Littlefield bill. But the bill met with the same fate that it met in the fifty-eighth congress and because of the same reasons.

5. At the last session of congress, Mr. Brantley, from the committee on the judiciary, reported favorably H. R. 16, 479, known as the "Brantley C. O. D. Bill," which provides:

"That any railroad company, express company, or other common carrier, or other person who shall, in connection with the transportation of spirituous, vinous, malt and intoxicating liquors of all kinds from one state or territory into another state or territory, collect on, before or after delivery, from the consignee or other person, the purchase price, or any part thereof, of such liquors, or who shall in any manner act as the agent of the consignor or seller of such liquors for the purpose of selling or completing the sale thereof, saving only in the actual transportation and delivery of the same, shall be subject in so



PAYING THE PREACHER. THIS IS THE PRESSING QUESTION



WHICH IS THE MORE CON- TEMPTIBLE—

The preacher who works for money? Or the layman who is content to let him work without it?

There is no answer to this conundrum. One matches the other.

Preachers that never worry about small salaries and laymen that do worry—and pay—are equally necessary to the right solution of the problem of ministerial support in the churches.

NO EXCUSE, APOLOGY, MISNAMING OF MOTIVES OR JUGGLING OF PRETENSES CAN DELIVER A MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL FROM THE INNER-SUBSTANCE FACT THAT HIS VOCATION IS ONE WITH WHICH MONEY-CRAVING IS NOT COMPATIBLE.

Every time a minister of the gospel betrays gain-lust in his life, he weakens his power by so much. If a man must make money—if he positively can't be satisfied without forging ahead financially—he'd better try law or medicine or business.

To be sure, religion calls on lay Christians for sacrifice. A man doesn't have to enter the ministry before he hears the demand that he shall cut away the anxieties of materialism. But the minister is set to be not only a preacher, but a special example of this anti-materialistic ideal. In order to make the example count at all in this age so enslaved by money, he must overdo it. To get his people just a little out of the way of thinking about cash, he must himself get clear entirely.

No doubt all this comes hard for even the most spiritual minister. He may be well enough content with the food and raiment that he has today, and yet like other husbands and fathers he must wonder now and again whether he will be able to give his children as good a start in the world as he had himself, and how he is going to care for his wife when they both get old.

But it's worth something to be a minister—and this disfranchisement from the financial rights of others is part of the price.

THERE NEVER YET WAS A GREAT CAUSE WON IN THE WORLD WITHOUT HEROISM. IF FROM THE MINISTER THE GREATEST HEROISM

REQUIRED IS TO LIVE ON LITTLE MONEY AND TRUST THE LORD, IT'S A LIGHT TAX.

This at least is sure—if for ten years the ministers of the United States would enter into conspiracy to refute—not by denials but by visual disproof—that mean slander, "The Lord's call is always where the bigger salary is," they would multiply the moral power of their profession beyond all estimate.

But just because it's a ministerial duty to be sacrificing, please don't conclude, dear layman, that it's a lay duty to furnish him the occasion of the grace. "THE LABORER IS WORTHY OF HIS HIRE." Your business is to pay up and trust the Lord to find some other way of developing sacrifice in the preacher.

There is real virtue in preaching for small salary to people who have little money to pay, but no virtue at all in preaching cheap for a church that could pay a worthy recompense.

The beauties of sacrifice appear to best advantage when properly distributed—to the clergy and laity "share and share alike."

No honest minister wants to live better than his people. The true servant-spirited man will be very ready to live in a shack—in the midst of a settlement of shacks. But living in a shack and preaching for a people who live in mansions is a different proposition, and it is no wonder that ministers revolt at it. There is no other hardship equal to the hardships of constant unfavorable comparison with your neighbors, and since it is an utterly needless hardship, and a useless one to boot, the church which imposes it on its preacher convicts itself of stone-heartedness and no imagination.

Ecclesiastically the call to a pastorate is said to "fix" the salary. The trouble thereof is that in so many cases the salary everlastingly stays "fixed." The congregation may multiply in numbers; its members may increase in wealth; a new social tone may impose upon the pastor's family much costlier obligations; the market prices of necessities may all advance; in the happy course of nature the pastor's children become, as growing children must, decidedly more expensive; and illness or misfortune may invade the manse—yet that salary never comes un-fixed.

ELDERS AND TRUSTEES NEED MORE CURI-

OSITY AS TO "HOW THE PARSON GETS ALONG." SINCE THEY CAN BORROW THE CURIOSITY FROM THEIR WIVES, THEY NEED NOT GO WITHOUT IT.

It isn't safe to assume that if everything wasn't going well at the manse, you'd have heard of it. If your preacher is the right kind, you won't hear of it. If his wife is the right kind also, there's double chance against your hearing of it. They're not going to whine. The only way you'll find out is to go down to the manse with your very best tact worn next your heart, and insist on knowing.

And you ought to go. If the salary isn't sufficient to make the minister and his family as comfortable as the average comfort of your community, then there's clearly something to be done about it. Not one-tenth of 1 per cent of the Protestant congregations of the United States are actually paying their pastors all that they could pay; this is a guess, but it's a safe one. Your congregation can raise the salary, and it will, rather than let the pastor's family feel privation.

Only you as the "leading elder" or the "principal trustee" or the "best known deacon" will have to find out the facts and let the congregation know—and put down the first increase.

Did you ever try to figure out what it ought to cost your pastor to live?

Set down what it costs you to keep your family a year—if you are a farmer, be sure you add the grocery price of what you eat of your own raising. Count in what you give away—and double it, for the preacher has more requests and it's likely he's more generous than you.

Put down a little extra for clothing, because you know you couldn't bear to see him wear in the pulpit a coat as scuffed as serves for you in a pinch. Allow him \$50 for new books; the reason he was so dull last Sunday was probably because he hasn't been able to afford a fresh book to read for six months. Add as much more for expenses to a convention or two; you wonder why he doesn't keep up with the times, but he hardly ever gets away anywhere where he can catch step with the times. Finally, grant an allowance for insurance and the rainy day.

HADN'T YOU BETTER RAISE THE SALARY?—The Interior.

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doing to all the police powers of the state or territory into which such liquors are transported and delivered, and for this purpose in all cases of the sale of spirituous, malt, and intoxicating liquors of all kinds in interstate commerce, where the same is sold 'Collect on delivery,' the place of delivery shall be deemed and held the place of sale."

If this bill should become a law it would make the place of the delivery of the liquor the place of sale instead of as is now held by some of the courts, that the sale occurs at the initial point of shipment. This bill went on the calendar at the short session (Mr. Brantley having been unable to get it out of the committee at the long session), and it was not reached on the calendar, and it was impossible to have it considered by unanimous consent.

It is, perhaps, not necessary for me to give assurance that I shall continue to use my best efforts to secure legislation by congress to the end that our own state laws in the interest of public health and morals and enacted in pursuance of the right of local self-government, shall not be violated by persons from the outside of the state, who shelter themselves under the commerce clause of the constitution. I believe that congress has the right to regulate the traffic in alcoholic liquors among the states, and that this traffic can be so regulated as to permit the states to enforce their own laws. The dealer, for instance, at Montgomery, is not permitted to ship intoxicating liquors into a prohibition community within the state of Alabama. This is in accordance with the wisdom and power of our state and her people. The

### A Perplexing Question

We are greatly pressed for ready money which hinders us from improving the paper as we want to do during 1908.

If in arrears please settle up and renew and thereby help us to solve the question—Do it now.

dealer, say at Cincinnati, ought not to be allowed to carry on the business of shipping intoxicating liquors from his town outside of the state into a community in Alabama where the state has forbidden the sale of intoxicating liquors and forbidden their shipment from any other place in the state.

I shall always be glad to hear from you on any subject in which you may be interested.

Very respectfully,

H. D. CLAYTON.

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"The gray matter of the brain is controlled entirely by the inorganic cell-salt, potassium phosphate.

"This salt unites with albumen, and by the addition of oxygen creates nerve-fluid, or the gray matter of the brain.

"Of course, there is a trace of other salts and other organic matter in nerve-fluid, but potassium phosphate is the chief factor, and has the power within itself to attract, by its own law of affinity, all things needed to manufacture the elixir of life. Therefore, when nervous symptoms arise, due to the fact that the nerve-fluid has been exhausted from any cause, the phosphate of potassium is the only true remedy, because nothing else can possibly supply the deficiency.

"The ills arising from too rapidly consuming the gray matter of the brain can not be overestimated.

"Phosphate of Potash is, to my mind, the most wonderful curative agent ever discovered by man, and the blessings it has already conferred on the race are many. But 'what shall the harvest be' when physicians everywhere fully understand the part this wonderful salt plays in the processes of life? It will do as much as can be done through physiology to make a heaven on earth.

"Let the overworked business man take it and go home good-tempered. Let the weary wife, nerves unstrung from attending to sick children or entertaining company, take it and note how quickly the equilibrium will be restored and calm and reason assert her throne. No 'provings' are required here. We find this potassium salt largely predominates in nerve-fluid, and that a deficiency produces well-defined symptoms. The beginning and end of the matter is to supply the lacking principle, and in molecular form, exactly as nature furnishes it in vegetables, fruits and grain. To supply deficiencies—this is the only law of cure."

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"I am an enthusiastic proclaimer of Grape-Nuts as a regular diet. I formerly had no appetite in the morning and for 8 years while nursing my four children, had insufficient nourishment for them.

"Unable to eat breakfast, I felt faint later, and would go to the pantry and eat cold chops, sausage, cookies, doughnuts or anything I happened to find. Being a writer, at times my head felt heavy and my brain asleep.

"When I read of Grape-Nuts I began eating it every morning, also gave it to the children, including my 10 months' old baby, who soon grew as fat as a little pig, good natured and contented.

"I wrote evenings and feeling the need of sustained brain power, began eating a small saucer of Grape-Nuts with milk, instead of my usual indigestible hot pudding, pie, or cake for dessert at night.

"I grew plump, nerves strong, and when I wrote my brain was active and clear; indeed, the dull head pain never returned."

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"For fifteen years," writes one of these clerks, "I have been working in one of the government departments. About two years ago I found myself every afternoon, with a very tired feeling in my head, trying to get the day's work off my desk.

"I had heard of Grape-Nuts as a food for brain and nerve centers, so I began to eat it instead of my usual heavy breakfast, then for my lunch instead of sandwiches and coffee.

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"Grape-Nuts for two meals a day has worked, in my case, just as advertised, producing that reserve force and supply of energy that does not permit one to tire easily—so essential to the successful prosecution of one's life work." "There's a reason."

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## SIMULTANEOUS MEETINGS IN BIRMINGHAM DISTRICT.

On Monday, January 13, at the Baptist Ministers' Conference, the question of simultaneous meetings in the churches of the district was discussed. This move is intended to affect the whole of the Birmingham Association. The question was discussed at length. The discussion was so interesting, and the question of such vital concern that two hours were consumed in the discussion.

A decision was reached. Each pastor was asked to put the matter before his people and ascertain if they thought it wise to join such a move. The following Monday, January 20, a report was heard from the churches. As with the voice of one man they heartily joined in the move.

Five brethren were chosen as a committee—Sherburn, Crouch, Bradley, S. O. Y. Ray and Calley.

On January 27 the committee, after consulting with the different pastors, made its report, with the following places and ministers suggested:

Hunter Street, Wallace Wear; Pratt City, Bradley, L. M.; Ensley, Dickinson, A. J.; East Thomas, Calley, J. O.; Tuxedor, Morgan, D. M.; Bessemer, Crouch, A.; Powderly, Vessey, Joe; Brighton, T. H. Johnston.

For the past two years we have felt the need of such a move, and have at different times discussed the matter only to see it go by for the present. It has been the desire of a large number of the members to inaugurate such a move, but not until now have we been enabled to realize our dream of the unity and broader vision such a concerted move would give the Baptists of this city and association.

It would seem now that God is leading and directing the minds and hearts of those who are planning this campaign. Our hearts have been for two years longing for united appeals to God for the extension of Christ's kingdom. It is an undisputed fact that we Baptists are not measuring up to our possibilities. The cause of missions and education command far too little attention of our churches. It is my judgment that God is withholding from our several churches a needed blessing because of our attitude toward these interests fostered by our denomination. Denominational pride ought to impel us, if no higher motive is felt.

If the ministerial students at Howard should have to leave after coming, expecting and being promised support, where will the responsibility rest?

The field is suffering for want of laborers, and by failing to take collections for ministerial education we say to these noble boys and men who can't help themselves to go. I trust that God will put it into the hearts of our people to see to it that not one of them leaves. But that was a pathetic appeal made by the board that without immediate relief some of them must go.

But I started out talking about the plans of the conference. We feel that we have made an advance in the broadening of His kingdom. We hail with delight the realization of our cherished hopes, and anxiously await the fruitful results.



THESE BE STIRRING TIMES.

We are living in a time of great reformation, the dawn of a brighter age. Let us look at some of the startling events. The council at Rome placed the crown of infallibility on the pope's head July 18, 1870. The next day war was declared between France and Germany, resulting in a crushing defeat of Catholic France by Protestant Germany at Sedan Sept. 1. Thus the French empire fell, Louis Napoleon was dethroned and France became a republic. This necessitated the withdrawal of the French troops from Rome, and on the following September the Italian army entered the city and proclaimed Rome the capital of United Italy with Victor Immanuel as king; and thus the temporal power of the papacy, which had been held 1,000 years, was lost. Ever since that day Romanism has been losing its hold on the nations. In fact, complete revolutions have taken place in several countries, notably in Mexico in 1873, Brazil in 1892 and even in France church and state have been separated. Surely we may expect this great hierarchy to be destroyed with the brightness of His coming.

And then look at the efforts of our government to control some of the great corporations and to purify the channels of trade. Perhaps the next generation will see some of the principles of the socialists enacted into law making it impossible for men to become millionaires in one generation by oppressing the laboring classes. Then there is the prohibition movement which is destined to spread to other lands until the liquor traffic and kindred wickedness will be swept from the earth. All this is but the beginning of a reformation awaiting the world as a preparation for our Lord's coming. One does not have to enter a dark room and drive out the darkness at the windows before lighting the lamp. The true light, through faithful missionary effort, is spreading now as never before, scattering darkness, ignorance and superstition and so the Lord is doing wonders in our day. Roll on, sweet moments, roll on, and hasten the coming of our glorious Lord. But who shall abide His coming and who shall be able to stand when He appeareth. What will the worldly man and woman do in view of these things? Will they go on a little while longer, striving after the goods of this world in unbelief, or will they take warning and turn to Christ now, for salvation before it be too late? Let our people watch and wait and work for the signs of His coming.

J. S. TOWNSEND.

WORKING ON THE WRONG SIDE.

An old paper tells the story of a man who was washing the large plate glass in a show window. There was one soiled spot which defied all efforts to remove it. After hard rubbing at it, using much soap and water, and failing to remove it, he found out the trouble. "It's on the inside," he called out to some one in the store.

In commenting on this Harry H. Crawford well says:

"Many are trying to cleanse the soul from its foul stains. They wash it with the tears of sorrow; they scrub it with the soap of good resolves; they rub it with the chamois of morality; but still the consciousness of it is not removed. The trouble is, it's on the inside."

WORTH \$10 A YEAR.

Enclosed find P. O. money order for \$3, for which continue my subscription to The Alabama Baptist. The paper is so good I would not be without it for five times the price. It gets better all the time. Yours, G. H. MAYTON.

TO THE CHURCH CLERKS.

My Dear Brother:

"February for State Missions." That is the way the schedule reads. It has been a long time since June. That was the last state mission month. Our missionaries are suffering. I have on my desk some distressing letters. If I could have borrowed the money, I would have paid every one of them, and depended upon the churches to meet the obligation. But you know the banks shut off all loans and even depositors could get only a small amount each day.

Maybe before you read this I can borrow the money and pay the missionaries. It will take about \$6,000 in any case, I am counting on every church clerk, every Sunday school superintendent, and every pastor—yes and every member, helping us in this month. While I hope for some large contributions, the bulk of what I get will be in small sums from people of moderate means. I have just read a letter from a poor woman, who sent only one dollar; another from a mother and daughter sending only a small sum. The "God bless you" that came with the contributions was worth as much as the money.

I ask you to read this to the church and get up the best collection you can. Consult a few of the liberal-hearted first, and get them committed to help generously. I know the pastor will mention it in his sermon, and thus give it a good send off. I send greetings to all the members, whom though I have not seen, I love. The Lord help you to magnify the important office to which you have been elected.

Fraternally,

W. B. CRUMPTON.

P. S.—Study the diagram enclosed. If you do not use the schedule, write for one and try it. I gladly send it free to all churches who will use it.

Dear Brother Pastor:

You see the letter I am sending to the church clerks I wonder if you realize how much depends upon these February collections. If you were ever a missionary under the board, you do. Put yourself in the place of the poor fellow who has received nothing on his meager salary since November. The board couldn't help it. It had no money and could borrow none. In many cases, too, the churches have fallen down on salaries of pastors.

It is a long time to June, the next state mission month, according to the schedule. I am alarmed at the situation, not only for state missions, but for the other boards. April 30th the books of the home and foreign boards close. January 1st our contributions were not up to last year. We are expected to do very much more than ever before. There must be a mighty stir among us if we go to the Hot Springs convention in May proud of what Alabama has done.

Help me, brother; I never felt more the need of your co-operation.

W. B. CRUMPTON.

EDITORIAL LIMITATIONS.

The belief that an editor knows everything is widespread, but one small boy has discovered the limitations of the editorial mind. Here is the anecdote as we got it from a contemporary:

"Father," asked the small son of an editor, "is Jupiter inhabited?"

"I don't know, my son," was the truthful answer.

Presently he was interrupted again.

"Father, is there any sea serpents?"

"I don't know, my son."

The little fellow was manifestly cast down, but presently rallied and again approached the great source of information.

"Father, what does the north pole look like?"

But, alas! again the answer: "I don't know, my son."

At last, in desperation, he inquired, with emphasis, "Father, how did you get to be an editor?"

ALABAMA'S BASE OF SUPPLIES.

J. V. Dickinson.

As far as my knowledge goes, the Baptists of Alabama spend a smaller proportion of their missionary contributions upon their own territory than any other southern state. If this is not true, I should like to be corrected. My travels in the state as state evangelist have given me a wider appreciation of conditions in Alabama as regards the Baptist cause. We have an empire state. We have all the problems facing us which obtain in all the other states of the territory of the Southern Baptist convention. We have almost a complete representation of the field of the home mission board within our own state. Mobile is fast becoming what Baltimore and New Orleans are denominationally. The foreigners are to be found in large numbers in Jefferson, Cullman, Chilton and Baldwin counties. Mobile, Baldwin, Winston and other counties are "frontier work" as truly as Texas and Oklahoma. No state furnishes a truer or larger representation of the conditions that led to the establishment of mountain schools than does Alabama.

The larger proportions of our white population is in the northern or mountainous portion of the state and in the southern or pine woods section, and the religious conditions of the two sections are practically the same. Leaving out Cuba and Panama, we have the whole work of the home mission board represented in Alabama, and the whole half million dollars which the Southern Baptist Convention asks for home missions could profitably be spent in Alabama. Do not misunderstand me, I am not asking for home mission money for Alabama. We ought to do more, not less for our Atlanta board. I am urging that Alabama Baptists wake up to a new realization of conditions at home. February is state mission month according to our schedule. It would give great impetus to our work if our people would send Bro. Crumpton not less than \$15,000 during the month, Alabama is Baptist territory by right of the work of our Baptist father. We are the true religious aristocrats of the state. If knighthood is to be conferred for noble deeds, our Baptist fathers deserve it. Judged from almost any point of view, Baptists have contributed more to the religious interests of the state than all others combined. Do you think this is claiming too much? If so, you are not acquainted with our history and the facts as they are today. Will Alabama Baptists of today show themselves worthy of and properly appreciative of their fathers? Let us build royally on their foundation by a hearty and liberal response to the needs of our own state. The past achievements of our fathers as we study them this centennial year ought to put us on our mettle. A private letter from Bro. Crumpton says he is "distressed" at being unable to pay the missionaries. He ought not to be distressed by such a state of affairs. I charge it upon our people that in neglecting to come to his help they wear out his valuable life, when they could so easily avoid it by making his heart glad through their liberality. Now for "a long pull, a strong pull, a pull altogether" for state missions and Bro. Crumpton will be made glad and we will all rejoice with him, and, what is of more moment, our Lord will be pleased.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.

OUR SECRETARY'S APPEAL

Ought to be read by all. We can't believe our preachers are going to beat the retreat. Money is scarce, but appeals to the Lord's people are going to reach their hearts. After all, we will get greater blessings to ourselves by the sacrifices we make.



## THE ALABAMA BAPTIST

My Dear Sunbeams:

Here is another long list of Bands who have contributed to the Sunbeam schools. I am sure we shall raise the \$1,000 if the good work continues to go on. Let every band have a part in building our schools in Yuitak and El Paso. Yours lovingly,

MRS. HAMILTON.

Brantley, Orrville, Dothan, Blue Mountain, Uniontown, Morvin, Pratt City, Hoke's Bluff, Beatrice, Billingsley, Roanoke, Huntsville, Belleville.

The Oxford, Orrville and Beatrice bands have each sent the promised ten dollars.

Floral, Ala., January 10, 1908.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton—I am going to write you about our Christmas tree gotten up by the Sunbeams. We decorated the church with all kinds of evergreens and had a good program prepared by the children. We received many compliments on our good work. Every Sunbeam child got two presents and a sack of fruit and nuts, candy and raisins. After the greeting by the president we had a Sunbeam chorus. The Sunbeams all love our leader and she loves us.

Mr. Attoaway, who teaches us to sing, gave the Sunbeams twenty-four song books. If we work very hard we can raise the \$10 for the school in China. Mrs. Hamilton, we want you to please send us a program in order that we may get up a church entertainment very soon.

We had a large congregation on Christmas night.

Mrs. Whitt is also a teacher in our city school, and the children are very fond of her. They gave her a good many nice Christmas presents. I will close for this time. Naomi Sapp.

320 East Broadway,

Louisville, Ky., January 9, 1908.

I have wanted to write you since I first came, and feel so ashamed that I have neglected my dear Sunbeam leader. Have wanted to write you about my Kentucky Sunbeam band. Think of my being leader of the band that received the banner for best attendance last year. It is a fine band, too. Such earnest little workers. I love them almost as much as my band in Alabama. I still claim the Pratt City band. Wish you could go out to see them some time and encourage them. Miss Louise DeLacee and my sister Marion have charge of them. Write to them, please ma'am, and send them any of the little helps that you may have. I told them to write you, but do not know that they have.

Time is precious just now, as examinations begin next week. So with a heart just as full of love to you as ever, I am sincerely yours,

FLOY WHITE.

(I am sure all of our Sunbeams will be glad to hear from our dear girl who is at the W. M. Training School in Louisville.—Editor.)

Beatrice, Ala., Jan. 8, 1908.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

Inclosed please find \$3.16, which we wish to be given to "the Sunbeam schools." This will complete the ten dollars which each society was requested to give. Your loving Sunbeam,

NETTIE LOU ANDRESS.

Hoke's Bluff, Ala., Jan. 7, 1908.

Mrs. T. A. Hamilton:

Our Sunbeam children send you \$2 for the building in China. Our band is small and hard to keep together during the winter months. The president, Riley Tidmore, deserves praise. I am glad you write to them. Your kind words come as an inspiration to them and they want to do as you say. They appreciate sympathy the more during their struggle to keep together while some of the leaders are off at college. Now they join me in love to you with an invitation to visit them and many good wishes and prayers for a long life to you and your work, I remain your sister and friend,

MRS. J. E. LANDERS.

### WOMAN'S WORK

#### CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

First V. Pres.—Mrs. T. A. Hamilton.

Second Vice President—Mrs. A. J. Dickinson,  
517 N. 22d St., Birmingham.

State Organizer and Sunbeam Superintendent—  
Mrs. T. A. Hamilton, 1127 S. 12th St., Birmingham.

Leader Young Woman's Work—Mrs. J. W. Vesey, 4804 10th Ave., Birmingham.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. D. M. Malone,  
Mission Room, Watts Building, Birmingham.

(All contributions to this page should be sent to Mrs. D. M. Malone, Mission Room, Watts Building, Birmingham.)

#### THE SUNBEAM PIN.

The Sunbeam Pin is a beauty and can be ordered direct from the mission rooms, 301 North Chades street, Baltimore, Md. The cost will be 15 cents each with two cents additional for postage if only one pin is ordered, and one cent additional only if ten or more pins are ordered. Send for them right away, you bright Sunbeam children. Put them on "quick as a wink" and then "get busy" about our special work. Your report will be fine this quarter. I have been looking over the treasurer's shoulder down at the mission room and she is writing down big, round sums for the Yuitak and El Paso schools. I know where to pin my faith as well as you know where to pin the Sunbeam badge.

Lovingly,

MRS. HAMILTON.

Floral, Ala., Nov. 20, 1907.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

We organized the Floral Sunbeam Society three weeks ago with sixteen members, and now we have more than twice that number. We meet every Sunday afternoon in the Baptist church. Kate Johnson is our president, Roland Winters is our secretary, and I am organist. Mrs. White is our leader. We love her very much. You will remember her as the leader of the Hartford Sunbeam band. I was one of her Sunbeams when you visited Hartford two years ago.

We would be so glad to have you visit us. We would be so glad if you would send a nice program for our Christmas exercises. We have promised Mrs. Whitt that we would do all the mission work we can this winter. Can't you tell us a way to make some mission money? We would appreciate very much any suggestion from you. We hope to see our letter in the Alabama Baptist.

We wish you and all the Sunbeams much success. Your loving little Sunbeam,

JOE LEWIS.

Oakman, Ala., January 5, 1908.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

Our little Sunbeam band is getting along nicely. We have an interesting little band; have 48 little Sunbeams now. We can't have as regular attendance now during the bad weather, still we have good meetings each Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. We are sending in our quarterly report today. The children wanted to send one quarter to the orphans' home and the next for missions. Our little people seem to enjoy their work so much. Thanking you for the help you have given us, and earnestly asking an interest in your prayers for guidance, sincerely,

(Mrs.) A. WICKERSHAM,

Leader Sunbeam Band.

Abbeville, Ala., Dec. 19, 1907.

My Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

I wish to let you know how finely your "namesake" is progressing. We had the "mite box convention" last Sunday night a week ago, and it was quite a success. I am sending Mrs. Malone today thirteen

dollars. We had a very interesting program and the children all did their parts well. I wish you could have been here. I am sure you would have felt proud of them in their first missionary endeavor. Your friend,

LOIS W. MASTERS.

Children's Exercises at the Abbeville Baptist Church,  
Sunday Night, 7:30 p. m.—Program.

1. Song—Welcome.
2. Recitation, "Henry's Report"—Henry Laney.
3. Concert, recitation—Missionary Fruit.
4. Recitation, "Little Light Bearer"—Neil Miller.
5. Recitation, "Ladies' Aid Society"—Teance Espy.
6. Song in Chinese Costume, "Only a Baby Girl."
7. Banners of the Nations—a flag drill by eight boys and three girls.
8. "Ten Little Pennies"—A concert recitation by ten little girls.
9. Song by choir, No. 293, Gospel Hymn.
10. Mite Box Convention—By Sunbeams.
11. Recitations.  
Ward Espy, "Collection Jingle."  
Annie Clarke—"A Nickle for the Lord."  
Nina Joe Perkins—"Forty Cents a Year."  
Victor Master, Jr., "Missionary Sermon."
12. Collection.
13. A Prayer—Maree Bland.
14. Good Night.

Thomaston, Ala., Dec. 18, 1907.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton:

I send \$1.00 for the thank offering for the orphans. It is the proceeds of a "mite meeting" given by the Sunbeam band. Your loving little Sunbeam,

BLANCHE CLANCY.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Brantley, Ala., Dec. 20, 1907.

So many children have expressed their intention of joining the band since our entertainment that I feel quite encouraged. The grown people seemed to enjoy it quite as much as the children.

The collection was \$3.46. By emptying the treasury we found we could pay half of the ten dollars—fine for beginners, isn't it? Yours sincerely,

JESSIE BRETT.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Marion, Ala., Dec. 10, 1907.

We, a little band of Sunbeams at Marion, Ala., are sending you \$5, believing that the same will be greatly appreciated. A little later we'll send you some more.

We reorganized not long since with Mrs. Green, our pastor's wife, as leader, and though small we are in number, our hearts are big, and we are ever ready to lend a helping hand to the cause of the Master. To say that we love Mrs. Green and that she is doing wonderful things for us and the Master here at Marion doesn't half express it. Verily, were we to exhaust Webster's unabridged, we are sure that we'd find all words inadequate to express it. We wish so much, dear Mrs. Hamilton, that you could come down and meet with us. 'Twould be such a pleasure for us to have you. Wishing you every success in your work, I am yours sincerely,

DORA CRENSHAW, Secretary.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Dothan, Ala., Dec. 6, 1907.

Inclosed find money order for \$5.75. We send \$1.75 to the girls' training school, \$2 for foreign missions, and \$1 to each Sunbeam school. We sent a quilt to the orphanage valued at \$3. So this is all we have on hand. Hope you will write us a nice encouraging letter, for we are weak and all small. Yours in the Lord,

MRS. J. R. KEYTON.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton: Orrville, Ala., Dec. 2, 1907.

We are sending you our pledge of ten dollars for the schools. The children are anxious to be among the first to receive the certificate. Since we can't get the star cards could you send us twenty-five of the Crumpton chapel cards? Each Sunbeam has learned to love their state leader and to look forward to the time when she will make them a visit. Much love always.

ADA W. JACKSON.



## Can you use Food When You get it?

Thousands of Stomachs Starving Where Mouths Are Well Fed. Costs Nothing to Relieve This Condition.

Eating is fast becoming too much a part of the daily routine, if not a mere tickling of the appetite—a thing to be gotten out of the way as quickly as possible. Little thought is given to "what kind of food," its effect upon the system, and whether it will be of use in building up the tissues of the body.

Your stomach will revolt, if it is not already doing so. It must shut up for repairs. What of the dizziness, and sometimes pain, which stop you after a hurried lunch? What of the general distress after a heavy dinner, a feeling of pressure against the heart which calls a halt and makes the breathing difficult? Is it common for you to be oppressed with belching and sour eructations? Are you constipated and then do you laughingly toss a dime to the druggist for his most palatable relief? Beware of temporary cures that are but palliatives. Many antidotes for the common ills which our flesh is heir to seem at first to relieve, but in reality, if not injecting poison into the system, lay the foundation for a deeper-seated and more far-reaching disorder.

Three-fourths of all diseases originate with a breaking-down of the digestion and nine-tenths of all digestive troubles originate with one or more of the symptoms named above.

Beware, then, of Indigestion and Dyspepsia. If you find yourself aching, listless, lacking in ambition when you should be on the alert, Do not doctor the stomach. It needs a rest from food and drugs. Do not flush out the bowels. It takes more than forcing food through the passageway to make blood and tissue and nerve. Do not starve your stomach. Food is a thing to be worked for all there is in it and your stomach will do the work if you will help it in Nature's way.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets contain nothing but the natural elements which enter into the healthy stomach and intestines to perform the function of digestion. Governmental tests and the investigations and sworn oaths of expert chemists attest this fact. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets go to the source of the trouble and positively restore the glands and fluids of the mucous membrane to their proper condition. They promptly relieve the distress of all troubles originating in the stomach or bowels (with the one exception of cancer.)

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are recommended by physicians and all reliable pharmacists. If you are a sufferer from indigestion or dyspepsia, try a fifty cent package today. At all druggists, or if you prefer send us your name and address and we will gladly send you a trial package by mail free. F. A. Stuart Co., 150 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

### NEWS NOTES FROM SOUTHEAST ALABAMA.

Rev. A. T. Sims, of Mobile, and who is known by many readers of the Alabama Baptist, has accepted a call to Geneva and is now on the field. Geneva is an excellent town and the Lord has apparently been partial to that place, in that some of the best people on the globe live there. It was the writer's privilege to live there and serve the Baptist church for three years.

Rev. R. M. Hunter is pastor in the magic little city of Samson, and is bringing things to pass. He has a habit of bringing things to pass wherever he goes. Hunter is a Baptist and people soon find it out when they come in contact with him. Samson is a field of marvelous possibilities and Hunter is the right man to develop it.

Rev. W. M. Anderson, of Dothan, reports the best year's work of his life. He has baptized more than ninety persons this year and continues to baptize them. He is like John the Baptist, he believes in baptizing folks. One of our city churches recently tried to tempt Bro. Anderson away from Dothan, but did not succeed. Southeast Alabama is the coming section of the state and Dothan is the coming city of this section.

Rev. J. F. Register, who has been moderator of the Geneva Association for about ten years, has done more for our Baptist cause in this section than any other one man. He gives his whole time to the ministry and is like his Master, "always going around doing good."

Rev. P. L. Moseley is considered the pulpit orator of this part of the state. He opens his mouth and the gospel pours forth "like molasses from the bung hole of the world." He says he is almost without something to do—he only has seven churches.

Rev. B. S. Ralley, pastor at Florala, is a cultured and aggressive pastor. The present church building is not large enough to accommodate the people and I hear that they will soon plan for a larger and more commodious building such as the cause demands in that important and strategic point.

T. O. REESE,  
Hartford, Ala.

#### FROM PINCKARD.

Would have written earlier, but our recovery from the effects of the pounding given us on our arrival has been slow as a result of the process being continued, and extending through so many days and weeks. Pinckard people certainly know how to welcome a preacher in a beautiful and substantial way. They seem to know by intuition what he most needs, and needs most of. Well, the pounding was a generous one and greatly appreciated.

Pinckard is a new agricultural and progressive town situated on the A. C.

L. railroad between Troy and Dothan, about twelve miles west of Houston's capital. A better and more hospitable people than these never lived anywhere.

We are giving half time to this church, which will soon be sufficiently strong to give whole time support. The building of a pastorium is contemplated, the erection of which will doubtless begin within ninety days.

Bro. H. L. Martin, of Ozark, did a good work here last year.

I succeed Bro. J. H. Riffe at Cowarts, than whom no preacher was ever more highly appreciated by his people. Gordon enter into and completes my field. Gordon has been without a pastor since the Second church of Eufaula laid hands upon their shepherd some five or six months ago. With such experienced workers as W. N. Harris, of Pinckard; B. A. Forrester, of Cowarts, and Samuel Bowdon, of Gordon, and many others that might be named if space would allow, to counsel, sympathize and co-operate with us, we are hopeful of accomplishing great things for the Master this year. Pray for us.

J. W. MALONE, JR.

Died, at her home in Selma, Ala., on January 24, Mrs. Manavia Wright.

A face from our midst is gone,  
A voice we loved is still.  
A place made vacant in our hearts  
The world can never fill.

Sister Wright was a member of the Baptist church and was a woman of blameless character, a mild Christian lady that was loved by all who knew her. She leaves to mourn her loss her aged husband and five children, and a number of relatives and friends to whom we would say look up, dear bereaved ones; your loss is her infinite gain.

A FRIEND.

#### DEATH OF MRS. J. R. VAUGHN.

On the evening of Saturday, January 18, 1908, just as twilight was drawing near, the death angel visited the home of Mr. J. R. Vaughn and took the soul of his wife, formerly Miss Mattie Vickers.

She was a member of Ramah Baptist church and was laid to rest in Ramah cemetery.

She leaves a husband and seven children to mourn her death. But we must submit to the "will of the all-seeing." Our loss is her gain.

The golden chain of a family circle has been broken, but we hope to be reunited in the land of delight.

Grieve not for her as those who have no hope, for your darling is a shining angel and is waiting for you. Christ is able to strengthen you in this trial of affliction.

"Good night, beloved, not farewell,  
A little while and all His saints shall dwell

In hallowed union invisible,  
Good night."

ONE WHO LOVED HER.

#### OBITUARY.

In Montgomery on Jan. 15, 1908, occurred the death of Sister W. J. Smith, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Johnson.

Mrs. Smith was born March 11, 1837. She was a devoted member of the Baptist church for over fifty years. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Crump, and also one son, of Atlanta, Ga.

Surely such Christian fortitude as was manifested in her life makes us believe beyond a doubt that she has gone to that beautiful land of rest where she joins her loved ones who have gone before. May God give comfort to the bereaved ones.

J. A. JENKINS.

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 29, 1908.

#### Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury.

Mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonials free.

#### IN MEMORIAM.

Miss Elizabeth Lawrence Evans, better known to her friends as "Miss Bettie," departed this life at 3:50 o'clock on the morning of January 24, 1908. Miss Bettie had been a "shut-in" for more than sixteen years and deprived of the privilege of the outside world. Her religious character was not married, however. She enjoyed reading religious papers and her Bible was her daily companion. She lived the Golden Rule. She was never happier than when she could give others pleasure. She had a gift for fancy work and often remembered her friends with beautiful articles which she had made. She suffered much in her last illness, but no murmur ever escaped her lips. All that skilled physicians could do or suggest was done for her comfort, but God knew best and said, "It is enough."

Her friends miss her genial smile and welcome words, but all feel that she has gone to a home prepared for her eternal in the heavens.

A FRIEND.

## Kokomo Woman Gives Fortune

### To Help Women Who Suffer.

In the past few years Mrs. Cora B. Miller has spent \$125,000 in giving medical treatment to afflicted women. Some time ago we announced in the columns of this paper that she would send free treatment to every woman who suffered from female diseases or piles.

More than a million women have accepted this generous offer, and as Mrs. Miller is still receiving requests from thousands of women from all parts of the world, who have not yet used the remedy, she has decided to continue the offer for a while longer, at least.

This is the simple, mild and harmless preparation that has cured so many women in the privacy of their own homes after doctors and other remedies failed.

It is especially prepared for the speedy and permanent cure of leucorrhoea or whitish discharges, ulceration, displacements or falling of the womb, profuse, scanty or painful periods, uterine or ovarian tumors or growths; also pains in the head, back and bowels, bearing down feelings, nervousness, creeping feeling up the spine, melancholy, desire to cry, hot flashes, weariness and piles from any cause, or no matter of how long-standing.

Every woman sufferer, unable to find relief, who will write Mrs. Miller now, without delay, will receive by mail free of charge, a 50-cent box of this simple home remedy, also a book with explanatory illustrations showing why women suffer and how they can easily cure themselves at home without the aid of a physician.

Don't suffer another day, but write at once to Mrs. Cora B. Miller, box 10054, Kokomo, Indiana.



FRANK WILLIS BARNETT,  
Editor and Proprietor.



A. D. GLASS  
Field Editor

#### ANCIENT MEASURES OF TIME.

Our own twenty-four hour day is so much a part of our mental furnishing that it seems the only possible method of dividing the period of the earth's revolutions. In our early years when we heard that the workers had been "all the day idle" and it was "about the ninth hour," it seemed foolish to set them to work in the vineyard long after dark. Jessie Hooker, Riverside, Calif., offers this interesting account of methods of reckoning time that would have explained this had we known it:

"The early Egyptians divided the day and night each into twelve hours, a custom adopted by the Jews or the Greeks probably from the Babylonians. The day is said to have first been divided into hours from B. C. 293, when a small sundial was erected in the temple of Quirinus at Rome. Previous to the invention of water clocks, B. C. 158, the time was called at Rome by public criers. In early England one expedient of measuring time was by wax candles, three inches burning an hour. The first perfect mechanical clock was not made until about A. D. 1250. Day began at sunrise among most of the Northern nations, at sunset among the Athenians and Jews, and at midnight among the Romans, as with us."

We give the above to call our readers' attention to the fact that now is a good time to send in their back dues and renewals.

#### RELIGIOUS PAPERS AND THE HOME.

In a recent article Dr. A. P. Graves, of Los Angeles, Cal., said:

"In a ministry of more than forty years in revival work in all parts of this great country, I have found that the homes where our religious journals are found are the most spiritual in life and consecrated in labor for Christ. And more: I have always noticed that the pastors who have given special attention in the pulpits and homes to get religious papers into the families of their churches have excelled in their work of saving men, promoting missions and all the financial departments of their churches."

We were not only struck by this testimony, but wondered if Dr. Graves had ever visited Eufaula, for we remember a sermon preached by a Dr. Graves in the Baptist church there when we were a very little boy. Probably Dr. Wharton or some of the pastors who lived in Eufaula during the early seventies will remember the revival.

#### LOVE FOR THE BIBLE.

From surface indications it would seem that the majority of the members of the various churches in the land do not have a sufficient love for the Bible. A vast number of them are not in the habit, it appears, of reading even a small portion of the book. It is not a wonder that such ones are the bane of the churches. It is not at all remarkable that they are full of worldly-mindedness; and it is such ones that exert no true spiritual influence in their communities. On the contrary, they are unfavorable examples in the midst of the unsaved ones. But it is well to consider the fact that a mere reading of the Bible does not necessarily constitute one a Christian. Thousands of people who habitually read and study the Bible are still unsaved, although they belong to some church. Many of them are intensely fond of engaging in argument with others on some religious question. They read the Bible to find support for their arguments. They remind one of the Jewish formalists of Christ's day. They were very familiar with the Scriptures. They had long studied the sacred oracles, but it is evident that they had no real love for that holy Word. They were immense on argument. Whenever they could find a man whom they could engage in discussion with, they at once entered into a verbal contest. This is why they were forward in disputing with Christ. It was not because of their love for the truth, but because they loved argument and disputation. There are very many of such religionists today, even in reputedly Christian churches. Being destitute of the Holy Spirit, they are also devoid of a genuine love for the Bible. We are not saying that a love for argument is inconsistent with a love for God's word, but we do say that one may be very fond of arguing on religious subjects and yet have no true love for the Bible; and we also say that unless one have the love of God in him, as the result of regeneration, he does not have and cannot have a pure love for God's Word. If you do love that Word, you will daily ponder it with holy delight.

#### A FRIENDLY COMMENT.

In an editorial entitled, "A Friendly Comment on Tendencies in the Baptist Communion," the New York Christian Advocate says:

"Our judgment has been and is that the firm and stern adherence to the principle that none are entitled to the holy communion who have not been baptized, and none are baptized who have not been immersed on profession of faith, has given the Baptists, in comparison with the Congregationalists, their greatly superior power in gathering and keeping members. Relative to church government their fundamental principle is the same. And their doctrinal views are the same—except on baptism, its subject and mode, and the relation of baptism to the communion. If in practice the relaxation of these views widely extends among the regular Baptists, a change may be expected to take place in the adhering power of the communicants."

#### FIRST TO LOSE LIFE IN CIVIL WAR.

Hundreds of old college men throughout the South will be interested in the announcement that the history of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, the College Greek Letter Society founded at the University of Alabama in 1856, is to be written. This fraternity is noted for having contributed more soldiers to the Confederate army than any other college society in existence, while its founder, Noble Leslie De Votie, was the first man to lose his life in the Civil War. Mr. De Votie was Baptist pastor at Selma at the time of his death.

The work of compiling the history has been given to the well-known writer, William C. Levere, of Evanston, Illinois, who is well known through his many journeys through the Southern States in the interest of the organization.

At present he is actively engaged in gathering the material for the history, and old-time members of the society are sending him so much data that it promises to be unusually complete.

We give the above, not so much in the interest of Greek Letter Societies, but to call the attention of our people to the fact that if the history of a college fraternity in Alabama is to be written, how much more ought we Baptists to bestir ourselves in gathering the data during this Centennial year in order that the trials and triumphs of our forefathers should be given to the world.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR AND



#### CALLS IT "MY GENTLE REMINDER."

Your gentle reminder received. Don't ever get under the impression that I will get mad for sending me a statement of what I owe you. I am not made that way. I have been looking for our Field-Glass up for some time, as it has been customary for several years to come up into this neck of the woods about January. However, I see that our law-makers have about abolished the free pass business. I could not do without The Alabama Baptist; so keep it coming. I cannot see how any man worthy of the name of being a Baptist can do without our paper. Much success to you. Enclosed find postoffice order for two dollars. Please move my label up.

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(We have some preachers in Alabama who are not "touchy.")

#### UNUSUALLY GOOD-TEMPERED.

We have received many letters during the six years we have tried to sit in the "Editor's Easy Chair," but the one below is in a class by itself, for after cutting the brother off from our list, he not only sent in his back dues, but with them a lot of new cash subscribers, and in our surprise and enthusiasm for his unusual conduct we wrote him that he must be "unusually good-tempered."

"I do not know about being unusually good-tempered, Brother Barnett, but I am sure I do not see how any man can become offended at his grocer, his publisher, his washerwoman or his anything else when he owes a debt and fails to pay and is cut off."

(When we get an unusually mean letter from some angry brother because we stopped his paper, we like to turn to the above for comfort.)

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DIFFERS WITH BROTHER DAWSON

Brother Editor: Was not Brother L. O. Dawson a long way off when he said: "By all means let the young man be educated to the utmost limit before he assumes the pastorate of a modern church?" Let's ask him to consider the men of God who had not such accomplishments and the work they have done. Then compare it with the work of the men who had such accomplishments, and see if he did not overdraw it. I would by no means discourage ministerial education. Neither would I be wanting in any way toward Brother Dawson, because he is one of our best and wisest men. For the reason that I regard him as a good man and wise counsellor, I hate the more for him to make the above assertion. His article was a very good one excepting this. I can't think that he makes any difference between a modern church and a New Testament church. The greatest soul winner was ignorant and unlearned. Again, the denominations that refuse their men the right to preach because they are not well educated have done little toward evangelizing the world. W. H. CONNELL.

A GREETING FROM BROTHER DAVID.

Happy New Year to the editor and all the working force on The Alabama Baptist. May its friends increase to many thousands this year!

Happy New Year to the multiplied thousands of God's people this year! May the hosts of Baptists in the State awake to the mighty responsibility resting upon them! Not only so, but the individual responsibility bearing on each one.

That Centennial fund of \$100,000! How eager should all our forces be in having a hand in raising it! Can we raise it? Yes, if we will all try as we should. If we fail to raise it, I shall still say we could have done it if we had all done our duty. It is the right thing for the Baptists of the State to do. It is a grand thing to do. It is for the glory of God in the furtherance of His cause. Let us arise and raise it.

Not until recently did I have the opportunity of reading that wonderful book, "The Moral Dignity of Baptism," by Dr. J. M. Frost. Many wise brethren have commended it most highly. It is certainly an eye-opener and a mind-feeder and a heart-gladdener and a soul-thriller on that God-given ordinance. To read it is to have one's faith strengthened and his knowledge of what that ordinance teaches strengthened. It is a master contribution to the literature on that subject. Both preachers and laymen will be greatly helped by reading the book.

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B. Y. P. U.  
PLANS.

On Tuesday, the 28th of January, the executive committee of the Alabama State Baptist Young People's Union was called to order in the parlors of the First Baptist church of Birmingham by Chairman Dearing. Those responding to the call were President Wingfield, Secretary-Treasurer Davidson and Committeeman Ray. By vote of the committee, Rev. Austin Crouch and Prof. L. P. Leavell were allowed a voice and a vote in the meeting. Dr. A. J. Dickinson and C. E. Crossland were also present.

One important thing done was the changing of the date of the convention at Troy from April 8-9 to April 7-8. The date was moved up one day in order that it might not conflict with the South Carolina State Convention, Brethren Leavell and Webb desiring to visit both conventions. The convention will open Monday evening, April 6th, and continue for two days.

Plans were made looking toward the settling of the pledge made several years ago to Howard college. If the local unions will respond when the call is made upon them by our state treasurer, this matter will be fully wiped off of the books of our organization.

Mr. Dearing was appointed to collect the pledges made at Montgomery by various unions of the Birmingham district.

The committee is highly pleased to announce to Baptist young people of the state that Rev. George T. Webb, of Chicago, general secretary of the B. Y. P. U. of America, and Prof. L. P. Leavell, the B. Y. P. U. specialist of our Nashville Sunday school board, will both be present and take large parts at Troy. It is the aim of the program to give as many practical addresses and conferences as possible on the actual work of the local B. Y. P. U. The fact that these two brethren will be prominent on the program means the success of the meeting already.

Secretary Davidson and Committeeman Valentine were designated to visit Troy on Sunday, February 2nd, and confer with the local union of that place concerning the convention.

The program, as arranged, will appear in these columns at a very early date.

### NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

The State of Alabama, Jefferson County, Probate Court, 29th day of January, 1908.

Estate of Minnie K. Randall, Deceased. This day came L. E. Hunt, administrator of the estate of Minnie K. Randall, deceased, and filed his account, vouchers, evidences and statement for a final settlement of the same.

It is ordered that the 26th day of February, 1908, be appointed a day for making such settlement, at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

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The Young Woman's Auxiliary of Brewton has increased from fifteen to twenty-five members and we hope to make this number even larger. Our average attendance is very good and every member seems interested in the work. So far we have been able to send Mrs. Vesey only \$5, but we have two plans started now which we hope to make more with. One is an Easter bazaar and the other a play. We have our devotional meetings twice a month and our social meetings once a month. It is our wish that the next report we send in will be one which we will be very proud of.—Voncell Strong, President.

I have been in a meeting with Bro. W. J. Ray at the West End church here, which meeting closed Sunday night, the 26th. The church was in a very bad condition when the meeting began. The church was without a pastor and the best members were very despondent, ready to give up and let it all fall through. Brother Ray did some genuine old time gospel preaching and good field work. His work is sound and on a good basis. He has no big excitements, but that which brings people to think and act. At the close of the meeting Sunday night they called me to take up the work. They are alive now with zeal for God and are ready for work. It is one of the finest fields of opportunity in the state.

I confess I found Brother Ray better as a preacher than I had anticipated. He is doing a glorious work. When it comes to getting a church out of the ruts and getting up the pastor's salary he can not be surpassed. May God continue to bless his work.—C. W. Henson.

Our first half term is out January 21st. Up to date we have enrolled 189 pupils—126 of whom are boarders. There are a number of others to come in in the next few days. We feel that this is a most gratifying showing for a school which has only been running since last September. The Lord has blessed us in a marvelous way, and to him we ascribe the glory. Rev. A. U. Boone, D. D., of Memphis, will deliver the address before the literary societies, Ruskin and Lanier, in June, and Rev. H. A. Porter, D. D., of Walnut Street Baptist church, Louisville, will preach the commencement sermon on June 7th. Wishing you and your readers the very best for the year 1908, we remain, yours fraternally, J. Henry Burnett, Manager Tennessee College for Women.

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**PERSONAL & OTHER NOTES**

According to statistics furnished by Rev. Dr. Schodde, 76,239 Roman Catholics have become Protestants in Germany in the past fourteen years. During the same period 10,091 Protestants united with Rome.

The work at Florida is moving on fairly well considering the financial pressure that has been upon us. We hope that times will soon be smooth and easy with us again. I am going to have an Alabama Baptist day in my church soon. I hope to send many new subscribers and collect all back dues for you. May this be the greatest year in the history of our paper.—B. S. Ralley.

During the great Indian mutiny old Sir Henry Havelock, surrounded, outnumbered and hard pressed, used to kneel between his ranks of fighting men and pray for victory, for strength to do, for courage to die fearlessly. Then, rising, he would lead his tear-dimmed warriors against fearful odds. Did they follow him? Would you follow a man who asked God's blessing on a desperate task and then fearlessly led on? Why is the Psalmist David, Israel's favorite King, the Christian world's best loved sacred singer? Because he was a man who prayed and dared!

Rev. J. M. McCord is preaching to four churches, each being in different associations, but he expects to try and be present at the sessions of the Birmingham, Muscle Shoals, Coosa River and Unity, these being the bodies with which his churches affiliate.

The Baptist and Reflector in an editorial concerning "Errors of Romanism," by Rev. W. J. E. Cox, D. D., pastor of St. Francis Street Baptist church, Mobile, Ala., says: "Dr. Cox has certainly done his work well. With a skillful hand, in a kind, but faithful manner, he has laid bare the errors of Romanism. We regard it as the strongest book we have ever seen on the subject. It ought to have a wide circulation. How any one can read this book and still be a Roman Catholic we can not understand. Nor do we believe that any one can read it without determining to oppose with all his might the errors of Roman Catholicism. The price is \$1." Pastors, get this book and read it and try and put it into the homes of your people.

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Dr. R. Van Deventer, who has accepted the call to the Baptist church at Jackson, Ga., is not only a gifted preacher, but has made a conspicuous success in the B. Y. P. U. and in the churches which he has heretofore served. We fear too few of our pastors appreciate the opportunity they have in using the B. Y. P. U. as a developer of the young people.

Damage cases against saloon keepers for loss of family support through the drunkenness of husbands and fathers to whom they have sold drink, are multiplying in Chicago. Several very pathetic cases have been described in pleas recently filed in Chicago courts. It seems as if burdened mothers robbed of rightful sustenance for themselves and their children, are beginning to understand better their legal rights. Every successful attorney ought to be ready to prosecute such cases free; there is no truer public service open to members of the bar.—Interior.

The Southern Witness says: "The session of the Florida Baptist State convention, which closed at Plant City Friday night, was in many respects the greatest convention in the history of Florida Baptists. It was great in numbers, probably the largest delegation ever assembled to represent the churches in the state, and it is doubtful if a preceding convention has assembled in such sweet accord as characterized this body. From the time that President Rogers called the convention until the closing benediction was invoked by Dr. Gray, there was not heard a single discordant note. If there is a disgruntled Baptist in the state he was not in evidence at this convention. The report of Secretary Geiger showed over \$80,000 contributed to the work of the denomination the past year."

The Louisville Baptists have decided to incorporate a Baptist church extension board, to include all white Baptist churches within a mile of the city limits. All the pastors of the city constitute an advisory board. This committee has already aided in building five excellent churches, and about that many more are proposed for the early future.—Baptist Argus.

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Quite an addition has been added to our work in the person of Mrs. Whitt, of Hartford, Ala. Mrs. Whitt has organized a Sunbeam Society with flattering prospects. Their motto is "The Best Society in Alabama." Look out, Sunbeams over the state. Mrs. Whitt knows no failure. A unique Christmas exercise was rendered by this live band of light bearers Christmas night. Plans for other exercises are now being projected. We want Mrs. Hamilton to make us a visit at some near future day this year. The Sunbeam Society now has an enrollment of more than sixty.

Mr. John L. McLeod, a North Carolinian, robbed Butler county of one of her fairest maidens and has transferred her to Florala, and the working force of our Baptist church. We would like for many of our boys and girls to do likewise.

We trust, Brother Barnett, that at least forty copies of the Alabama Baptist will be coming to Florala postoffice before the close of this year. How can a Baptist family in Alabama do without this great and instructive paper? May all the Baptists of the state join in making this the best Baptist paper in the south. Let us begin now.  
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Trust you and yours have had a pleasant Christmas, and may the year 1908 be a pleasant and profitable one, is the sincere wish of yours truly,  
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REV. E. F. DAVIDSON.

I wish for you and F. W. Jr., and all the loved ones a very happy New Year. Faithfully yours,  
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I cannot do without the weekly visits of The Baptist, as I seldom have the pleasure of hearing Baptist preaching. May God bless you and yours, is the wish of your sister in Christ,  
C. A. McMULLEN.

We have the faces of the editors of The Alabama Baptist before us in our home. May this be a year when many new subscribers will come to know the editors by taking the paper and reading it. A happy New Year to you and yours,  
J. M. McCORD.

Best wishes to you and yours and great success to the noble paper that took such a noble stand for prohibition. God bless the great and good men and women who have made a grand and noble fight against the greatest evil of our sunny South.  
A. P. MAJORS.

You are giving us an excellent paper, for which there is not a Baptist in the State that appreciates it any more than myself. Wishing you a happy New Year, I am, yours fraternally,  
J. W. JOYNER.

We are glad to note the growth and improvement of The Alabama Baptist, and with such a staff of editors we feel assured it will continue to grow. Wishing you a successful and happy New Year, we are, sincerely,  
MRS. W. A. GRAHAM AND BABY.

I want to congratulate you on the success already obtained as editor of The Baptist. I am now 70 years old, and have been a reader of the paper for many years, and don't see how I could do without it.  
MRS. F. M. HOBSON.

Enclosed you will find \$1 to pay for the paper for a year. I hope you may be able, by the help of God, to give us a better paper this year than before. May God bless you in all of your efforts to advance the Redeemer's kingdom. I know an editor has a hard time in this world, but we will be rewarded for our faithfulness in this world. Pray for me. Yours,  
W. J. PALMER.

I am ready to help you and the good paper you publish whenever I can. May the Master's Spirit and power give you whatever strength you need. In sincerity, I am yours in the work,  
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You are doing a great work. I do hope God will bless you both temporally and spiritually. I look forward each week for our great paper.  
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You are giving us a good paper, and I enjoy reading it. With best wishes,  
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W. T. CANNON.

Enclosed you will find my check for \$5 for payment in full for subscription. I am very sorry indeed that I have neglected this matter and had to put you to the trouble and expense of mailing me a statement. Will try to be more careful in the future. I thank you very much for the discount of one dollar on the three years' subscription. Praying God's richest blessings on you and your paper, I am, fraternally,  
G. R. DICKERT.

God bless you and your paper. I am sorry if my paper was overdue and caused you annoyance. I am an old man 85 years old, and have always paid my debts. I thank you for your and your little one's pictures, and I'll ask my old friend Jehobab to bless him and make him all he ought to be.

Enclosed find \$3, as you promised to send it until January, 1: 9. Don't send the present, as I want nothing from anyone that I don't earn. Wishing you success and many happy years to edit The Alabama Baptist, yours in love,  
B. J. COATE.

P. S.—When January, 1909, arrives, and I don't renew at once, stop the paper, as all editors ought to do, and then without trouble.

I send you a dollar to renew my subscription to The Alabama Baptist. My subscription expired the 10th instant. Did not get to see you at the associations last fall. Please excuse delay. I think last week's issue was the first copy of the Alabama Baptist that I ever read which I had not paid for before reading. God bless you. Pray for us. Our work is pleasant, and we hope it will prove prosperous. Yours for service,  
J. H. WALLACE.  
(He had paid up to January 10, and this was dated January 22.)

I have taken the paper since its first issue, and feel that I cannot get along without it. You are giving us a good paper.  
MRS. S. A. SMITH.  
Find enclosed my check for \$1.00, which pays for my paper for 1908. I hope you success this year. I enjoy reading the Alabama news. Am enjoying my work over here.—J. A. Beal, Brunsen, S. C.

Enclosed find check for \$6 for renewals. I am sorry that I have not had the time to get out and collect the rest of the list, but I will as soon as I possibly can. We have a great deal of sickness in our town just now, and I have to keep busy visiting them. I know that I love the Alabama Baptist, and am willing to do all I can for its success, but sickness has kept me from being as prompt to look after your interest as I should have done. May God's richest blessings ever rest upon you and the Baptist.—A. B. Metcalf.

I appreciate your faithful work in giving us a good paper. You have made a good fight for prohibition in general, and for civic righteousness in the city of Birmingham in particular. May the year 1908 bring abundant success to The Alabama Baptist.  
Fraternally,  
ARNOLD S. SMITH.

Dear Brother: Yourself and the Junior Barnett arrived a few days ago with greetings of love, which I assure you are reciprocated and highly appreciated, and will be a keepsake until I pass over the river, which is not very far in the distance. My wife sends thanks for baby Junior; says that is hers to keep.

I regret very much that I lost a link in The Alabama Baptist, for I had followed her through all or her changes to her permanently established headquarters, and may prosperity and success attend her down through the ages, and when you turn the helm loose, may the junior step in to guide her.  
Enclosed find \$1. Yours,  
W. H. PARROTT.

You are giving us a splendid paper. The Baptist should go into every Baptist home in Alabama. Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year and much success to The Baptist, I am your brother in Christ,  
CHAS. H. GERMAN.

## A LITTLE ARGUMENT WITH MYSELF



If I refuse to give anything to missions this year I practically cast a ballot in favor of the recall of every missionary in both the home and foreign fields.

If I give less than heretofore, I favor a reduction of the missionary forces proportionate to my reduced contribution.

If I give the same as formerly, I favor holding the ground already won, but I oppose any forward movement. My song is "Hold the Fort," forgetting that the Lord never intended that his army should take refuge in a fort.

All of his soldiers are under marching orders always. They are commanded to "Go."

If I advance my offering beyond former years, then I favor an advance movement in the conquest of new territory for Christ. Shall I not join this class? I do believe in greatly increasing the present number of our missionaries; therefore I will increase my offerings to missionary work.

These "IFS" are taken from the Missionary Review of the World, and are worthy of careful thought. Put over against them the fact that this is our Centennial Year, and then rank yourself in the "advance movement" to the limit of your ability.